

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
FLORENCE DIVISION

Rebecca A. Lewis,) Civil Action No. 4:08-2386-GRA
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Plaintiff,) **ORDER**
) (Written Opinion)
v.)
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Michael J. Astrue,)
Commissioner of Social Security,)
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Defendant.)
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This matter is before the Court for a review of Magistrate Judge Thomas E. Rogers' Report and Recommendation made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636 and Local Rule 73.02(B)(2)(a), D.S.C., and filed August 17, 2009. Plaintiff brought this action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) to obtain judicial review of a final decision of the Commissioner of Social Security denying his claim for Disability Insurance Benefits (DIB). The magistrate recommends reversing the Commissioner's decision and remanding the case to the Commissioner for further proceedings consistent with the Report and Recommendation.

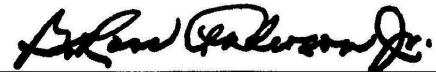
The magistrate makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight, and responsibility for making a final determination remains with this Court. *See Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270-71 (1976). This Court is also charged with making a *de novo* determination of those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which specific objection is made, and

this Court may "accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate." 28 U.S.C. §636(b)(1). This Court may also "receive further evidence or recommit the matter to the magistrate with instructions." *Id.* In the absence of objections to the Report and Recommendation, this Court is not required to give any explanation for adopting the recommendation. *Camby v. Davis*, 718 F.2d 198, 199 (4th Cir. 1983). Plaintiff has not filed any objections, and the Commissioner notified the Court that he would not be filing any objections.

After a review of the magistrate's Report and Recommendation, this Court finds that the report is based upon the proper law, and substantial evidence supports the magistrate's findings and conclusions. Accordingly, this Court accepts and adopts the Report and Recommendation in its entirety.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Commissioner's decision is REVERSED, and this case is REMANDED to the Commissioner for proceedings consistent with the magistrate's Report and Recommendation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



G. ROSS ANDERSON, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

September 4, 2009
Anderson, South Carolina